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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 97,008-W)

In re Application of )

Copeland, et al. )

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For: Automated Biological )  
Reaction Apparatus )

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Examiner: Patricia K. Bex ✓

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**RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION MAILED APRIL 15, 2002**

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby respond to the Office Action mailed April 15, 2002. A Petition for extension of the time necessary for reply to the Office Action is made herein.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the following sections of the specification.

*After page 12, line 10, please insert the following paragraph:*

FIG. 34 is a schematic of a jet drain for draining liquid from an upper surface of a slide.

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